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Application of: Palazzini et al.

Application No.: 09/873,234

Group Art Unit: 1623

Filed: June 4, 2001

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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS
USING SULODEXIDE FOR THE
TREATMENT OF DIABETIC
NEPHROPATHY

Attorney Docket No.: 9457-023

Confirmation No.: 4468

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 WITH AMENDMENTAssistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 7, 2001, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks below in connection with the above-identified patent application. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a "marked-up" version of the amended claims indicating the amendments made herein. Also submitted concurrently herewith are (a) a Petition for an Extension of Time for Response for two months from August 7, 2002 to October 7, 2002, accompanied by the appropriate fee; (b) an Amendment Fee Transmittal Sheet; (c) a Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; (d) a List of References Cited, listing References BV-DF; and (e) a copy of each of References BV-DF.

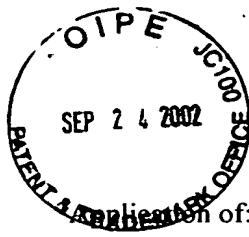
IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Cancel claims 1-25 and 28 without prejudice.

Amend claims 26, 27 and 29 to read as below:

26 (once amended). A method of treating a patient with diabetic nephropathy comprising orally administering to said patient in need of treatment from diabetic nephropathy, an amount of Sulodexide, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, of at



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The fee required to be filed with the accompanying Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 with Amendment of even date herewith concerning the above-identified application has been estimated to be \$0.00.

The claim amendment fee has been estimated as shown below:

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